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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby submits the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited are enclosed.

U.S. Patent No. 5,646,703 to Kamada, et al., issued July 8, 1997;

U.S. Patent No. 5,583,679 to Ito, et al. issued December 10, 1996;

European Patent No. 0 926 534, issued June 30, 1999;

German Patent No. 39 11 620, issued October 18, 1990 (English Abstract Attached);

Japan Patent No. 7-39524, published February 7, 1995 (English Abstract Attached); and

Japan Patent No. 6-214116, published August 5, 1994 (English Abstract Attached).

The documents are being submitted within 3 months of the filing or entry of the national stage of this application or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later, therefore no fee or certification is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

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To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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